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LOCAL TEENS TO BENEFIT FROM \$16,400 IN GRANTS TO BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA PROVIDED BY THE TACO BELL FOUNDATION

Orlando, Fla. (Feb. 18, 2013) – Local teens from Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida’s Universal Orlando Foundation Branch will benefit from a \$16,400 grant awarded by the Taco Bell Foundation for Teens. The funds will support career and college preparation programming intended to enable and inspire teens to graduate high school and reach their full potential.

“The Taco Bell Foundation for Teen’s generous support makes a meaningful impact on the lives of our teens,” said Betty McKinney, Universal Orlando Foundation Branch Service Director. “It’s because of partnerships like this that we are able to offer the academic, career, and mentorship experiences that inspire our teen members to stay committed to earning their high school degree and move onto great things in life.”

BGCCF is one of more than 300 teen-serving organizations nationwide to receive a portion of \$3 million granted by the Taco Bell Foundation for Teens this year.

“Today’s teens are tomorrow’s leaders, and they need the support of every community, business and elected official in order to succeed,” said Regina Borda, managing director of the Taco Bell Foundation for Teens. “We are proud to support Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida and other like-minded community organizations that empower teens to live más and graduate from high school.”

Throughout its 20-year history, the Taco Bell Foundation for Teens has awarded more than \$42 million in grants and scholarships through the ongoing support of its customers, employees, vendor partners and franchisees.

The Foundation also offers core programs, including [Graduate for Más™](#), that motivate teens to stay in school and provide job training to help them identify career opportunities and interests.

About Taco Bell Foundation for Teens

The Taco Bell Foundation Inc., also known as Taco Bell Foundation for Teens, a nonprofit 501(c)(3) public benefit corporation, is committed to inspiring and enabling America's teens to achieve más through its programs, partnerships, and direct financial assistance. Every year, the Foundation serves more than 100,000 teens in more than 180 communities across the country and awards more than 300 grants and scholarships annually focused on education and career preparedness. Since 1992, we've awarded more than \$42 million to support more than 1,000 teen-serving organizations in the U.S. with the help of ongoing customer, franchisee, employee and vendor partner donations. For more information visit tacobellforteens.org, and find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TacoBellforTeens.

About Taco Bell Corp.

[Taco Bell Corp.](#), a subsidiary of Yum! Brands, Inc., (NYSE: YUM), is the nation's leading Mexican-inspired quick service restaurant. Taco Bell serves made to order and customizable tacos, burritos, and specialties such as the exclusive [Doritos® Locos Tacos](#), gourmet inspired [Cantina Bell® Menu](#) and lower calorie [Fresco Menu](#). The company encourages customers to "Live Más®," both through its food and in ways such as its [Feed the Beat®](#) music program and nonprofit organization, the Taco Bell [Foundation for Teens](#). Taco Bell and its more than 350 franchise organization have nearly 6,000 restaurants across the United States that proudly serve more than 36 million customers every week.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida:

Since 1944, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida has provided at-risk children from the local community, between the ages of 6 and 18, with a safe place to learn and grow. Our membership totals nearly 13,000 young people at 30 Clubs and middle school sites in Brevard, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties – Great Futures Start at Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida.

The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Learn more at 407.841.6855, www.bgccf.org or facebook.com/bgccf.

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